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Kindly amend the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 19 to read as follows.

B2 --Post and beam furniture systems have also been developed to divide open plans three dimensionally into individual workstations and/or work settings. Examples of such furniture systems are provided in U.S. Patents 6,003,275; 5,950,371; and 5,889,025, which are also owned by Steelcase Development Corporation, the assignee of present application.--

Kindly amend the paragraph beginning on page 4, line 12 to read as follows.

B3 --The principal objects of the present invention are to provide a post and beam furniture system that can be quickly and easily installed and reconfigured to efficiently and effectively support the ever-changing needs of the user. The individual posts and beams are equipped with T-shaped slots which define an integrated universal mounting arrangement for detachably interconnecting the posts and beams in alternative configurations, and mounting accessories at a variety of different locations. The furniture system is efficient in use, economical to manufacture, capable of a long operating life and particularly well adapted for the proposed use.--

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly cancel claims 5 and 48, without prejudice.